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Please refer to your letter of 2 October 1951 concerning [redacted]. It was pleasing to hear that [redacted] is so highly regarded and has rendered valuable assistance. While it is our normal policy not to move an officer before a tour is completed, we will be happy to concur in his transfer to [redacted].

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Since [redacted] is our only officer in [redacted] at present, we prefer to postpone his departure until a replacement is on duty. We are immediately submitting a request for a replacement to [redacted] and anything you can do to expedite the matter will be appreciated.

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Because [redacted] will be going to [redacted] he will be returned to Washington for complete [redacted]. At present this procedure takes about three months. Pending the arrival of [redacted] you can count on assistance from our present representative there, who is a highly qualified individual.

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Sincerely,

Walter G. Smith
Director

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OSO:Admin/[redacted]

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Handwritten postscript:

"Chris: It is nice to have a kind word occasionally about one of our people." W.B.S.